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From 6 to 18 August 1955, Soviet naval vessels were seen in the Viborg and Ventspils harbors. The following details were determined:

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	Class	Type	Date	Time	Harbor	Berth	Remarks
	destroyer	LENINGRAD (?)	6 to 13 August		Viborg	at a small pier next to the naval barracks installation	Approximately 130 meters long, slightly raked stem, short foc'sle with shielded gun, another shielded gun on the wide lower step forward of the bridge. Rectangle bridge superstructure with 2 decks. Range finder on upper deck of bridge and topmast from trailing edge of upper deck; shielded gun and sheer aft of bridge; flush deck from there to stern; 2 stacks: first stack on low superstructures spaced from bridge; tapered forward, and stepped toward second stack. Torpedo tube set between stacks. Destroyer island with shielded gun on quarterdeck. Another shielded gun aft of destroyer island. Approximately 25 meters long, plumb bow, open gun on foc'sle, box bridge amidships, long topmast and short radar mast with pear-shaped radars, 2 small machine weapons on quarterdeck
None	2 guard vessels	n/k	6 to 13 "		"	in a small harbor basin apparently sailingboat harbor	
None	2 sailtraining ships	3-mast barks	"		"	small wooden pier	were occupied by Soviet Navy personnel, no armament. Several small sailingboats and [illegible] boats were also moored there
None	2 guardboats	n/k	"	daytime	Uuraansaari	small pier	The guard boats were of the same type as the guard boats sighted in Viborg and had no
	submarine chasers	KRONSTADT	8 "	noon	Ventspils	naval pier	and were occupied by personnel wearing grey-green uniforms with visor caps rather than by navy personnel

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None	6 small submarines	u/i	10 August	noon	Ventspils	on the western bank of the river, upstream from the road bridge
	submarine chasers	KRONSTADT	15 "	noon	"	naval pier
	minesweeper	u/i	18 "	0330 CET	"	"
	submarine chasers	KRONSTADT	18 "	0330 CET	"	"
	submarine	u/i	18 "	0330 CET	"	"
	speed boats	u/i	18 "	0330 CET	"	"

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